FISCAL NOTE

HB 3039 - SB 3111

February 11, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to: (1) increase the fee for administering the mine foreman examination from \$7.50 to \$25; and (2) organize and conduct mine safety-training programs for the mining industry in Tennessee and to charge a fee sufficient to defray the costs of administering the training, but not to exceed \$350 per training program.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Less than \$100,000

Increase State Revenues - Exceeds \$200,000

Estimate assumes:

- An increase in state expenditures to conduct additional training classes for the mining industry. The amount of increase will depend on the number of additional classes conducted and cannot be determined but is estimated to be less than \$100,000.
- A not significant increase in state revenues as the result of increasing the mine foreman examination fee.
- An increase in state revenues from fees charged to the mining industry for conducting training classes based on an estimated increase in requests by the mining industry for such training. MSHA now mandates that all mining operations, contractors, and other persons exposed to mining hazards must receive training.
- Fees will be sufficient to defray the cost of administering the training.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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